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INORGANIC TRACE CONTAMINANTS SECTION

SUMMARY

I. Introduction

The Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section of the Ministry of the Environment, Laboratory Services Branch is responsible for the analysis of a wide variety of sample types for metals and non-metals. The use of sensitive instrumentation and methodologies appropriate to the sample matrix, combined with quality assurance programs, ensures that the Section is able to maintain a high standard of analytical performance. This performance is monitored through regular internal quality control and assurance programs as well as participation in interlaboratory round-robins. This QA report summarizes the methodologies used for analysis of these samples and the supporting internal quality assurance data.

This report is assembled in sections that reflect the analyses performed on different sample matrices in support of the programs of the Ministry of the Environment. Coincidentally, these divisions also reflect the supervisory responsibilities within the Section.

II. Quality Control and Assurance

The objectives of the quality control and assurance programs are to ensure that all of the components of the analytical process are under control and to ensure immediate detection and correction of unacceptable analytical performance. The program monitors all of the reagents, instrumentation, calibration and recovery components of the analytical system.

A. Quality Control

Quality control of the analytical process takes place at the instrument level and is intended to ensure that the instrumentation is operating according to established criteria. This control function ensures that instrument calibration, standardization, slope and intercept, and instrumental drift meet these criteria.

B. Quality Assurance

Quality assurance of the analytical process takes place after the results have been generated and is intended to ensure that the analytical protocols of sample preparation and digestion have been carried out correctly. This control function ensures that reagent blanks, digested standards, sample duplicates and recovery materials meet established response criteria.



### III. Report Format

The report consists of one page method summaries and one page data summaries of blanks, between-run controls and within-run duplicates in formats that are common to all of the parameter/matrix combinations. The method summaries give a brief outline of the sample preparation and measurement procedures. The data summaries consist of annual mean values with standard deviations.

For the within-run duplicates, the data set is subdivided into ranges approximating 0 to 20 %, 20 to 50 % and 50 to 100% of the analytical range. All results for duplicates reported to the data base that are "<" or that have been diluted into the range are excluded from the statistical analysis.

The standard deviations for blanks and between-run controls are calculated using formula I. Formula II is used for the calculations for within-run duplicates.

$$sd = \sqrt{[(\text{sum}x^2 - (\text{sum}x)^2)/n/(n-1)]} \dots\dots I$$

$$sd = \sqrt{(\text{sum}d^2/2n)} \dots\dots II$$

where : x = the individual values; n = the number of events  
d = the differences between pairs of duplicates

The data is stored in a personal computer using BMB Manager II files. All data manipulations, reports generated etc, are performed using applications written in Manager Math.

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## 9. Sewage

## 9.1 Sewage Samples

Sewage samples consist of three distinct matrix types: raw sewage, final effluent and sludge. Due to their physical nature and the expected levels of the analytes, each of these sample matrices is prepared and analysed differently.

Table 9.1 summarizes the parameters determined in sewage type samples, the preparation procedure and method of analysis.

TABLE 9.1

Parameter	Collection Device	Preparation	Analysis
Metals	Glass or plastic bottles	Acid digest	AAS, ICP-AES
Mercury	Glass or plastic bottles	Acid digest	Cold vapour AAS
Hydride Metals	Glass or plastic bottles	Acid digest	AAS
Cyanide	Glass or plastic bottles	Distillation	Automated colorimetry

## 9.2 Sewage Quality Assurance

Sample duplicates are generated by aliquoting two separate portions of the samples.

Sewage QA samples are composited real samples where possible and standard solutions in other cases.

Table 9.2 summarizes the sample designations, their source and use as QA samples for the analysis of sewage type samples.

TABLE 9.2

Sample Designation	Type	Parameter
RF29	Composite dried sludge	Metals, Hg
RF31	Composite raw sewage	Metals, Hg
785	Composite sewage	Hg
475-3	EPA standard solution No 475	Hydrides
swc1,c2	Composite sewage	Hydrides
qcal,b1,qcd	Standard solutions	Cyanide

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Aluminum      TEST CODE: ALUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 300 ml

Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)

Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.

Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 100 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.5 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.008 - 2.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A
mean	4.0 mg/L
std. dev.	0.3 mg/L
R.S.D.	6.9 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range

	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.4	0.2	0.2
mean	0.3	0.7	1.3

W 0.1 mg/L

T 0.5 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## ALUMINUM IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.008 to 2.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.008	0.008 to 0.40	0.40 to 1.00	1.00 to 2.0	>2.0
no.	25	6	22	18	31
s.w.		0.3914	0.1545	0.1588	
mean		0.2760	0.7330	1.3340	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	107	3.957	0.2745	6.94

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	17	0.645	0.0905

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TEST NAME: Arsenic  
UNIT: Biomaterials

TEST CODE: ASUT

SAMPLE TYPE: Liq Sldge/Sew  
SUPERVISOR: R. S. Sadana

METHOD CODE:

TYPE: Semi-aut. hydr. gen - flameless AAS

REVISION NO: Original

DATE: January, 1983

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

#### SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- Approximately 10 ml

Container- Glass bottle with bakelite screw cap (16 oz)

Preservative- None

Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.- Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted->90

Procedure- Pipette 1 ml of sample into a 18 x 150 mm pyrex graduated test tube. Add 3 ml of acid mixture (6 nitric: 3 sulphuric: 1 perchloric). Process in batches of 80 samples including blanks, calibration standards and controls.

Digest in an aluminum hot block at a medium setting on the hot plate for 14 hrs until dense white fumes appear.

Cool, add 0.5 ml of distilled water, then 2 ml conc. HCl.

Dilute to 15 ml with distilled water and mix.

Feed the prepared solutions to the automated system for the determination of arsenic by the hydride-FAAS technique.

INTERFERENCES: Excessive concentrations of Cu, Fe and Ni may interfere.

REPORTING RESULTS: 2 dec. for <10, 1 dec. <100, whole no. if >100 µg/ml

INSTRUMENTATION: Atomic absorption spectrophotometer (Varian Techtron 1200, with strip chart recorder, peristaltic pump and autosampler

(Technicon or Gilson). Open ended quartz "T" atomizer (0.6x10cm); gas-

Calibration Range: 0 - 40 ng/ml (linear <20 ng/ml) /liquid separator)

Resolution: 0.01 absorbance (unexpanded scale)

Sensitivity: 0.02 ug/ml reads 0.15 abs.

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 ug/ml

#### PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.01 - 0.6 mg/L

Accuracy- 99% (EPA Standard)

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.106 mg/L	.206
std. dev.	.010 mg/L	.011
R.S.D.	9.7 %	5.3 %

Precision of Duplicates-low range mid range high range

s.d.	0.004	0.012	0.051
mean	0.072	0.208	0.369

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

#### CONTROL LIMITS:

#### REMARKS:

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

ARSENIC

IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.010 to 0.6 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.010	0.010 to 0.12	0.12 to 0.30	0.30 to 0.6	>0.6
no.	60	18	29	10	8
s.w.		0.0037	0.0117	0.0511	
mean		0.0720	0.2080	0.3690	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
swc1	53	0.106	0.0103	9.72
swc2	51	0.206	0.0110	5.34
475-3	53	0.405	0.0161	3.98

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/02/27



ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Cadmium                      TEST CODE: CDUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.01 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	0.20 mg/L
std. dev.	0.01 mg/L
R.S.D.	6.9 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.008	0.002
mean	0.009	0.031

W .005 mg/L

T .025 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref QCPE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- assumed 100%.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## CADMIUM IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	86	13	6	0	7
s.w.		0.0084	0.0023	0.0000	
mean		0.0090	0.0310	0.0000	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	0.196	0.0135	6.89

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	5	0.013	0.0036

DATE 87/02/28

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Cobalt                      TEST CODE: COUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range-0.002 to 0.1 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean	.084 mg/L
std. dev.	.015 mg/L
R.S.D.	18.1 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
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s.d.	0.019	0.010
mean	0.013	0.032

W 0.02 mg/L

T 0.10 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
  - assumed 100%.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

COBALT IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.002 to 0.1 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.002	0.002 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	70	22	18	0	2
s.w.		0.0191	0.0103	0.0000	
mean		0.0130	0.0320	0.0000	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	0.084	0.0152	18.10

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	21	0.029	0.0098

DATE 87/02/28

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Copper                      TEST CODE: CUUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 to 1.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	1.58 mg/L
std. dev.	0.09 mg/L
R.S.D.	5.6 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.010	0.107	0.029
mean	0.079	0.329	0.580

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

COPPER

IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 1.0 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.20	0.20 to 0.50	0.50 to 1.0	>1.0
no.	15	61	14	5	7
s.w.		0.0095	0.1070	0.0291	
mean		0.0790	0.3290	0.5800	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	107	1.582	0.0890	5.63

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	0	0.000	0.0000

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Chromium                      TEST CODE: CRUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.03 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	5.62 mg/L
std. dev.	0.44 mg/L
R.S.D.	7.8 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range

s.d.	0.02
mean	0.02

mid range

0.02
0.04

high range

0.04
0.07

W 0.02 mg/L

T 0.10 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## CHROMIUM IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	48	8	8	9	29
s.w.		0.0244	0.0193	0.0443	
mean		0.0170	0.0410	0.0730	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	116	5.623	0.4394	7.81

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	5	0.041	0.0145

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Iron                      TEST CODE: FEUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%  
Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven  
at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs.  
The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml.  
Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix  
well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a  
Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by  
ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 10 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.5 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.002 - 25.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	4.18 mg/L
std. dev.	0.24 mg/L
R.S.D.	5.6 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.13	4.20
mean	1.72	8.07
		18.40

W 0.05 mg/L

T 0.25 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

IRON

IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.002 to 25.0 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.002	0.002 to5.00	5.00 to12.50	12.50 to25.0	>25.0
no.	6	62	20	10	4
s.w.		0.1267	4.1957	0.4595	
mean		1.7180	8.0730	18.3980	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	4.184	0.2361	5.64

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	12	0.982	1.0511

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Lead                      TEST CODE: PBUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.15 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.02 - 0.20 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	1.14 mg/L
std. dev.	0.09 mg/L
R.S.D.	8.2 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.12	0.13
mean	0.08	0.16

W 0.02 mg/L

T 0.10 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## LEAD IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.002 to 0.2 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.002	0.002 to 0.04	0.04 to 0.10	0.10 to 0.2	>0.2
no.	86	0	6	4	16
s.w.		0.0000	0.1182	0.1333	
mean		0.0000	0.0830	0.1550	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	1.135	0.0934	8.23

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	2	0.212	0.0435

DATE 87/02/28

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Manganese      TEST CODE: MNUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub>  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.01 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	.084 mg/L
std. dev.	.006 mg/L
R.S.D.	6.6 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d. 0.003	0.003	0.019
mean 0.013	0.038	0.074

W .005 mg/L

T .025 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MANGANESE IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	3	7	14	27	51
s.w.		0.0034	0.0026	0.0188	
mean		0.0130	0.0380	0.0740	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	0.084	0.0055	6.55

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/02/28

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Mercury                      TEST CODE: HGUT HGFT SAMPLE TYPE: Sewage sludge  
UNIT: Biomaterials                      SUPERVISOR: R. S. Sadana

METHOD CODE:                      TYPE: Flameless AAS  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE: May, 1984  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 250 ml  
Container- Wide mouth glass jar  
Preservative- None  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-  
Procedure- Pipette 10 ml of sample into a 125 ml  
Phillips beaker. Add 10 ml of acid mixture  
(4:3:1 - H<sub>2</sub>O:HCl:HNO<sub>3</sub>).

Heat on a hot plate (approx 83°C) for 5 minutes.  
Add 36 ml distilled water and 15 ml KMnO<sub>4</sub> (saturated)  
and digest the contents for 45 minutes. Filter the solution  
and dilute to 100 ml with distilled water.  
Treat blanks and calibration standards in exactly the same manner.  
Determine mercury in the entire volume. The measurement step is  
automated and is based on the evolution of atomic vapour of mercury  
(wavelength - 254nm) by the addition of a reducing agent.

INTERFERENCES: Water vapour; organic solvents.

REPORTING RESULTS: Two significant figures.

INSTRUMENTATION: Automated sampler and peristaltic pump.  
Laboratory Data Control U.V. monitor.

Calibration Range: 0 - 20 ng/ml

Resolution: 0.25 ng/ml (one division on recorder chart paper)

Sensitivity: 10 ng/100 ml reads 0.2 absorbance (20 divs on chart)

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.1 ng/ml

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.010 - 0.3 mg/L

Accuracy- No standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.064 mg/L	
std. dev.	.010 mg/L	
R.S.D.	15.6 %	

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.0055	0.0134	0.0100
mean	0.029	0.073	0.178

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS:

REMARKS:

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MERCURY IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.010 to 0.3 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.010	0.010 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.13	0.13 to 0.3	>0.3
no.	9	13	12	5	2
s.w.		0.0055	0.0134	0.0100	
mean		0.0290	0.0730	0.1780	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
785	103	0.064	0.0100	15.63

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	4	0.058	0.0050

DATE 87/01/05



ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Molybdenum      TEST CODE: MOUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.05 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	.425 mg/L
std. dev.	.047 mg/L
R.S.D.	11.1 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d. 0.018	0.038	0.006
mean 0.013	0.030	0.069

W .002 mg/L

T .010 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MOLYBDENUM IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	87	1	11	9	4
s.w.		0.0183	0.0381	0.0055	
mean		0.0130	0.0300	0.0690	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	0.425	0.0470	11.06

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	17	0.061	0.0127

DATE 87/02/28

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Nickel                      TEST CODE: NIUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%

Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.06 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.003 - 0.1 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	1.28 mg/L
std. dev.	0.07 mg/L
R.S.D.	5.6 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.05	0.01
mean	0.04	0.08

W 0.02 mg/L

T 0.10 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency assumed to be 100% as material originally in solution. No reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

NICKEL

IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.003 to 0.1 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.003	0.003 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	81	0	9	4	18
s.w.		0.0000	0.0498	0.0092	
mean		0.0000	0.0350	0.0800	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	1.282	0.0712	5.55

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	7	0.083	0.0193

DATE 87/02/28

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Selenium                      TEST CODE: SEUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Liq Sldge/Sew  
UNIT: Biomaterials                      SUPERVISOR: R. S. Sadana

METHOD CODE:                      TYPE: Semi-aut. hydr. gen - flameless AAS  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE: January, 1983  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- Approximately 10 ml  
Container- Glass bottle with bakelite screw cap (16 oz)  
Preservative- None  
Other-

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted->90

Procedure- Pipette 1 ml of sample into a 18 x 150 mm  
pyrex graduated test tube. Add 3 ml of acid mixture  
(6 nitric: 3 sulphuric: 1 perchloric). Process in batches  
of 80 samples including blanks, calibration standards  
and controls.

Digest in an aluminum hot block at a medium setting on  
the hot plate for 14 hrs until dense white fumes appear.  
Cool, add 0.5 ml of distilled water, then 2 ml conc. HCl.  
Dilute to 15 ml with distilled water and mix.

Feed the prepared solutions to the automated system for the  
determination of selenium by the hydride-FAAS technique.

**INTERFERENCES:** Excessive concentrations of Cu, Fe and Ni may  
interfere.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** 2 dec. for <10, 1 dec. <100, 0 dec. if >100 µg/ml

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Atomic absorption spectrophotometer (Varian Techtron  
1200, with strip chart recorder, peristaltic pump and autosampler

(Technicon or Gilson). Open ended quartz "T" atomizer (0.6x10cm); gas-  
Calibration Range: 0 - 40 ng/ml (linear <20ng/ml) /liquid separator)

Resolution: 0.01 absorbance (unexpanded scale)

Sensitivity: 0.02 ug/ml reads 0.20 abs.

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 ug/ml

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.01 - 0.6 mg/L

Accuracy- 99% (EPA Standard)

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.066 mg/L	.167
std. dev.	.005	.008
R.S.D.	7.9 %	5.0 %

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.009	0.015	0.041
mean	0.083	0.164	0.372

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:**

**REMARKS:**

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## SELENIUM IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.010 to 0.6 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.010	0.010 to 0.12	0.12 to 0.30	0.30 to 0.6	>0.6
no.	64	31	22	3	2
s.w.		0.0087	0.0145	0.0410	
mean		0.0830	0.1640	0.3720	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
swc1	42	0.066	0.0052	7.88
swc2	43	0.167	0.0084	5.03
475-3	51	0.069	0.0050	7.25

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/03/11

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Zinc                      TEST CODE: ZNUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Raw Sewage  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 300 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic bottle (500 ml)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> to 500 ml.  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-yes % Extracted-100%  
Procedure- Transfer 25 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 25 ml volume. Dry overnight in a forced air oven at 105°C. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest for about 6 hrs. The volume remaining should be less than 2 ml. Add distilled water to the 25 ml mark and with distilled water and mix well. Allow particles to settle or if necessary filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper. Determine the elemental concentration by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 1.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean                      0.70 mg/L

std. dev.                      0.10 mg/L

R.S.D.                      13.3 %

Precision of Duplicates-low range

mid range

high range

s.d.                      0.04

0.02

0.17

mean                      0.09

0.31

0.74

W 0.02 mg/L

T 0.10 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref 31) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

ZINC

IN RAW SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 1.0 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.20	0.20 to 0.50	0.50 to 1.0	>1.0
no.	5	63	20	6	18
s.w.		0.0336	0.0182	0.1748	
mean		0.0940	0.3090	0.7370	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	117	0.701	0.0973	13.88

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	31	0.032	0.0113

DATE 87/02/28



ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Total cyanide TEST CODE: CCNAUR SAMPLE TYPE: Sewage  
UNIT: QC-Project SUPERVISOR: J. Hipfner

METHOD CODE: 001AC2

REVISION NO:

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic (preferred)  
Preservative- NaOH  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.- Total Extn.- % Extracted-100

Procedure- The sample is first run to see if there is cyanide present. The is run directly by the automated high temperature distillation with 25% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>-5% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>2</sub> followed by a colourimetric analysis with chloramine T -isonicotinic acid -barbituric acid method.

If the total cyanide is > .01 mg/L then 5 to 250 ml of sample is manually distilled with 30 ml of 15%(w/v) tartaric acid. The distillate is collected in 50 ml of 1N NaOH, and analyzed by the automated Technicon distillation system referred to above.

INTERFERENCES: SCN interference is removed by distillation.

Distillable organics may interfere; also S= at high levels.

REPORTING RESULTS: Mg/l CN: 3 decimal places up to 3 significant figs

INSTRUMENTATION: Technicon AAI continuous flow analyzer

including pump, colourimeter, appropriate autosampler and recorder.

High temperature distillation apparatus (Technicon). Manual dist. app

Calibration Range: 0 to 0.4 mg/l as CN

Resolution: 0.001 mg/l

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 mg/l

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.00100 to 0.400 mg/l

Accuracy- 100%

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.110 mg/L	0.059
std. dev.	.0027mg/L	0.0026
R.S.D.	2.45 %	4.41 %

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.0011	0.0009	0.0127
mean	0.014	0.119	0.293

W .001 mg/L

T .005 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS:

REMARKS: Pure CN standards are recovered 100% during manual distillation. Complex cyanides can normally be expected to be recovered at 100%.

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## TOTAL CYANIDE IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.4 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.08	0.08 to 0.2	0.2 to 0.4	>0.4
no.	0	44	2	0	0
s.w.		0.0009	0.0041	0	
mean		0.0141	0.089	0	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
qc-a	146	0.149	0.0049	3.29
qc-b	146	0.018	0.0022	12.22

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	146	0.001	0

DATE 88/06/01

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Free cyanide    TEST CODE: CCNFUR    SAMPLE TYPE: Sewage  
UNIT: QC-Project                                      SUPERVISOR: J. Hipfner

METHOD CODE: 700AC2

REVISION NO:

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 100 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic (preferred)  
Preservative- NaOH  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-    Total Extn.-    % Extracted- \*  
Procedure- Pass sample aliquot through an automated low temperature distillation (106°C) in a distillation acid consisting of 10% acetic acid and 0.5% zinc acetate.  
Analyze distillate by the Chloramine-T -pyridine-barbituric acid colourimetric method, or equivalent.

INTERFERENCES: None

REPORTING RESULTS: Mg/l CN to 2 decimal places up to 3 significant figs  
INSTRUMENTATION: Technicon automated continuous flow analyzer including pump, colourimetric distillation apparatus and sampler; suitable recorder.

Calibration Range: 0 to 0.4 mg/l as CN

Resolution: 0.001

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 mg/l

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.0100 to 0.400 mg/L

Accuracy- 100%

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.110 mg/L	0.060
std. dev.	.0036mg/L	0.0031
R.S.D.	3.27 %	5.17%

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.0004	0.0007	0.0000
mean	0.0135	0.098	0.290

W .001 mg/L

T .005 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS:

REMARKS: \* The test defines the results reported in this case. The terminology "Weak Acid Dissociable" is commonly used and represents weakly associated cyanide compounds such as KCN, NaCN, NiCN<sub>4</sub>, HCN, etc.

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## FREE CYANIDE IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.4 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.08	0.08 to 0.2	0.2 to 0.4	>0.4
no.	0	44	1	1	0
s.w.		0.0011	0.0141	0.0078	
mean		0.0069	0.13	0.3485	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
qc-a	135	0.151	0.0062	4.11
qc-b	135	0.018	0.0022	12.22

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	135	0.001	0

DATE 88/06/01

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Aluminum      TEST CODE: ALUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml

Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)

Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.

Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-87.5%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air  
oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow  
time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 100 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.5 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.5 - 1000 mg/l

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean	3.87 mg/L
std. dev.	0.22 mg/L
R.S.D.	5.6 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.024	0.027
mean	0.204	0.649

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref QCPE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.

- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## ALUMINUM IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.008 to 2.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.008	0.008 to 0.40	0.40 to 1.00	1.00 to 2.0	>2.0
no.	7	20	11	1	6
s.w.		0.0237	0.0270	0.0064	
mean		0.2040	0.6490	1.0500	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	31	3.867	0.2184	5.65

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	4	0.492	0.0912

DATE 87/01/21

TEST NAME: Arsenic  
UNIT: Biomaterials

TEST CODE: ASUT

SAMPLE TYPE: Liq Sldge/Sew

SUPERVISOR: R. S. Sadana

METHOD CODE:

TYPE: Semi-aut. hydr. gen - flameless AAS

REVISION NO: Original

DATE: January, 1983

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

#### SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- Approximately 10 ml

Container- Glass bottle with bakelite screw cap (16 oz)

Preservative- None

Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.- Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted->90

Procedure- Pipette 1 ml of sample into a 18 x 150 mm pyrex graduated test tube. Add 3 ml of acid mixture (6 nitric: 3 sulphuric: 1 perchloric). Process in batches of 80 samples including blanks, calibration standards and controls.

Digest in an aluminum hot block at a medium setting on the hot plate for 14 hrs until dense white fumes appear.

Cool, add 0.5 ml of distilled water, then 2 ml conc. HCl.

Dilute to 15 ml with distilled water and mix.

Feed the prepared solutions to the automated system for the determination of arsenic by the hydride-FAAS technique.

INTERFERENCES: Excessive concentrations of Cu, Fe and Ni may interfere.

REPORTING RESULTS: 2 dec. for <10, 1 dec. <100, whole no. if >100 µg/ml

INSTRUMENTATION: Atomic absorption spectrophotometer (Varian Techtron 1200, with strip chart recorder, peristaltic pump and autosampler

(Technicon or Gilson). Open ended quartz "T" atomizer (0.6x10cm); gas-

Calibration Range: 0 - 40 ng/ml (linear <20 ng/ml) /liquid separator)

Resolution: 0.01 absorbance (unexpanded scale)

Sensitivity: 0.02 µg/ml reads 0.15 abs.

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 µg/ml

#### PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.01 - 0.6 mg/L

Accuracy- 99% (EPA Standard)

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.106 mg/L	.206
std. dev.	.010 mg/L	.011
R.S.D.	9.7 %	5.3 %

Precision of Duplicates-low range mid range high range

s.d.	0.004	0.012	0.051
mean	0.072	0.208	0.369

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

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CONTROL LIMITS:



REMARKS:

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## ARSENIC IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.010 to 0.6 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.010	0.010 to 0.12	0.12 to 0.30	0.30 to 0.6	>0.6
no.	60	18	29	10	8
s.w.		0.0037	0.0117	0.0511	
mean		0.0720	0.2080	0.3690	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
swc1	53	0.106	0.0103	9.72
swc2	51	0.206	0.0110	5.34
475-3	53	0.405	0.0161	3.98

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/02/27



ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Cadmium                      TEST CODE: CDUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-88.5%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air  
oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow  
time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.01 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.1 mg/l

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.180 mg/L	
std. dev.	.033 mg/L	
R.S.D.	18.6 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range                      mid range                      high range

s.d.                      0.002

mean                      0.003

W .001 mg/L

T .005 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref QCPE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## CADMIUM IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	30	21	0	0	0
s.w.		0.0016	0.0000	0.0000	
mean		0.0030	0.0000	0.0000	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	36	0.180	0.0334	18.56

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	6	0.013	0.0031

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Chromium      TEST CODE: CRUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml

Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)

Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.

Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-89%

Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.03 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean      5.26 mg/L

std. dev.      1.26 mg/L

R.S.D.      24.0 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range

mid range

high range

s.d.      0.006

0.040

0.021

mean      0.008

0.036

0.064

W .002 mg/L

T .010 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref QCFE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.

- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## CHROMIUM IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	24	4	3	3	11
S.W.		0.0058	0.0399	0.0214	
mean		0.0080	0.0360	0.0640	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	35	5.259	1.2596	23.95

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	3	0.045	0.0045

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Cobalt                      TEST CODE: COUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.  
Other-

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-91%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air  
oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow  
time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.002 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean                      .079 mg/L

std. dev.                      .014 mg/L

R.S.D.                      17.2 %

Precision of Duplicates-low range

mid range

high range

s.d.                      0.004

mean                      0.005

W .002 mg/L

T .010 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref QCPE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.

- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

COBALT

IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.002 to 0.1 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.002	0.002 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	30	20	0	0	1
s.w.		0.0037	0.0000	0.0000	
mean		0.0050	0.0000	0.0000	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	36	0.079	0.0136	17.22

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	18	0.032	0.0098

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Copper                      TEST CODE: CUUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-98.5%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air  
oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow  
time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range-0.001 to 1.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean                      1.52 mg/L

std. dev.                      0.22 mg/L

R.S.D.                      14.8 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.                      0.01		0.04
mean                      0.03		0.71

W .002 mg/L

T .010 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref QCFe1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency assumed to be 100% as material originally in solution. No reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

COPPER

IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.001 to 1.0 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.20	0.20 to 0.50	0.50 to 1.0	>1.0
no.	9	30	0	2	4
s.w.		0.0102	0.0000	0.0385	
mean		0.0330	0.0000	0.7090	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	33	1.519	0.2242	14.76

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	11	0.052	0.0187

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Iron                      TEST CODE: FEUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Efflnt  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-83.5%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air  
oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow  
time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 100 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.5 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.002 - 1.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

A

mean	3.81 mg/L
std. dev.	0.72 mg/L
R.S.D.	19.0 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.040	0.095
mean	0.139	0.294

W .005 mg/L

T .025 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref QCFE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

IRON

IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.002 to 1.0 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.002	0.002 to 0.20	0.20 to 0.50	0.50 to 1.0	>1.0
no.	8	12	9	10	6
s.w.		0.0397	0.0950	0.0334	
mean		0.1390	0.2940	0.7140	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	34	3.807	0.7231	18.99

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	6	0.390	0.0728

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Lead                      TEST CODE: PBUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-90%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air  
oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow  
time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.15 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.002 - 0.20 mg/l

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	1.00 mg/L	
std. dev.	0.23 mg/L	
R.S.D.	23.0 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range	
s.d.	0.023	0.008	0.014
mean	0.016	0.083	0.115

W 0.02 mg/L

T 0.10 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref QCFe1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

LEAD

IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.002 to 0.2 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.002	0.002 to 0.04	0.04 to 0.10	0.10 to 0.2	>0.2
no.	40	4	2	2	3
s.w.		0.0229	0.0082	0.0142	
mean		0.0160	0.0830	0.1150	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	35	1.000	0.2317	23.17

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Manganese      TEST CODE: MNUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

DATE:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.01 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.080 mg/L	
std. dev.	.009 mg/L	
R.S.D.	10.9 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.001	0.003
mean	0.014	0.031

W .001 mg/L

T .005 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref QCFE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MANGANESE IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	1	15	18	7	4
s.w.		0.0007	0.0033	0.0053	
mean		0.0140	0.0310	0.0690	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	35	0.080	0.0087	10.88

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Mercury  
UNIT: Biomaterials

TEST CODE: HGUT HGFT SAMPLE TYPE: Sewage sludge  
SUPERVISOR: R. S. Sadana

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

TYPE: Flameless AAS  
DATE: May, 1984

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 250 ml  
Container- Wide mouth glass jar  
Preservative- None  
Other-

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.- Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-  
Procedure- Pipette 10 ml of sample into a 125 ml  
Phillips beaker. Add 10 ml of acid mixture  
(4:3:1 - H<sub>2</sub>O:HCl:HNO<sub>3</sub>).

Heat on a hot plate (approx 83°C) for 5 minutes.  
Add 36 ml distilled water and 15 ml KMnO<sub>4</sub> (saturated)  
and digest the contents for 45 minutes. Filter the solution  
and dilute to 100 ml with distilled water.  
Treat blanks and calibration standards in exactly the same manner.  
Determine mercury in the entire volume. The measurement step is  
automated and is based on the evolution of atomic vapour of mercury  
(wavelength - 254nm) by the addition of a reducing agent.  
**INTERFERENCES:** Water vapour; organic solvents.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** Two significant figures.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Automated sampler and peristaltic pump.  
Laboratory Data Control U.V. monitor.

Calibration Range: 0 - 20 ng/ml

Resolution: 0.25 ng/ml (one division on recorder chart paper)

Sensitivity: 10 ng/100 ml reads 0.2 absorbance (20 divs on chart)

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.1 ng/ml

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.010 - 0.3 mg/L

Accuracy- No standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.064 mg/L	
std. dev.	.010 mg/L	
R.S.D.	15.6 %	

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.0055	0.0134	0.0100
mean	0.029	0.073	0.178

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:**

**REMARKS:**

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MERCURY IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.010 to 0.3 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.010	0.010 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.13	0.13 to 0.3	>0.3
no.	9	13	12	5	2
s.w.		0.0055	0.0134	0.0100	
mean		0.0290	0.0730	0.1780	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
785	103	0.064	0.0100	15.63

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	4	0.058	0.0050

DATE 87/01/05



ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Molybdenum      TEST CODE: MOUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml

Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)

Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.

Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-95.2%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.05 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 0.10 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean      .389 mg/L

std. dev.      .089 mg/L

R.S.D.      22.8 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range      mid range      high range

s.d.      0.006      0.007      0.001

mean      0.008      0.027      0.059

W .001 mg/L

T .005 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref QCPE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.

- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MOLYBDENUM IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	37	10	2	1	1
s.w.		0.0064	0.0070	0.0013	
mean		0.0080	0.0270	0.0590	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	35	0.389	0.0885	22.75

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	10	0.054	0.0240

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Nickel                      TEST CODE: NIUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml

Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)

Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.

Other-

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-92%

Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.06 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.003 - 0.1 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean                      1.17 mg/L

std. dev.                      0.23 mg/L

R.S.D.                      20.0 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range

mid range

high range

s.d.                      0.011

0.005

0.043

mean                      0.010

0.029

0.075

W .005 mg/L

T .025 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference (Ref QCFE1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.

- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## NICKEL IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.003 to 0.1 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.003	0.003 to 0.02	0.02 to 0.05	0.05 to 0.1	>0.1
no.	26	6	3	6	10
s.w.		0.0108	0.0051	0.0427	
mean		0.0100	0.0290	0.0750	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	36	1.167	0.2285	19.58

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/01/21

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Selenium      TEST CODE: SEUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Liq Sldge/Sew  
UNIT: Biomaterials      SUPERVISOR: R. S. Sadana

METHOD CODE:      TYPE: Semi-aut. hydr. gen - flameless AAS  
REVISION NO: Original      DATE: January, 1983  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- Approximately 10 ml  
Container- Glass bottle with bakelite screw cap (16 oz)  
Preservative- None  
Other-

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted->90

Procedure- Pipette 1 ml of sample into a 18 x 150 mm  
pyrex graduated test tube. Add 3 ml of acid mixture  
(6 nitric: 3 sulphuric: 1 perchloric). Process in batches  
of 80 samples including blanks, calibration standards  
and controls.

Digest in an aluminum hot block at a medium setting on  
the hot plate for 14 hrs until dense white fumes appear.  
Cool, add 0.5 ml of distilled water, then 2 ml conc. HCl.  
Dilute to 15 ml with distilled water and mix.

Feed the prepared solutions to the automated system for the  
determination of selenium by the hydride-FAAS technique.

**INTERFERENCES:** Excessive concentrations of Cu, Fe and Ni may  
interfere.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** 2 dec. for <10, 1 dec. <100, 0 dec. if >100 µg/ml

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Atomic absorption spectrophotometer (Varian Techtron  
1200, with strip chart recorder, peristaltic pump and autosampler  
(Technicon or Gilson). Open ended quartz "T" atomizer (0.6x10cm); gas-  
Calibration Range: 0 - 40 ng/ml (linear <20ng/ml) /liquid separator)

Resolution: 0.01 absorbance (unexpanded scale)

Sensitivity: 0.02 µg/ml reads 0.20 abs.

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 µg/ml

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.01 - 0.6 mg/L

Accuracy- 99% (EPA Standard)

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.066 mg/L	.167
std. dev.	.005	.008
R.S.D.	7.9 %	5.0 %

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.009	0.015	0.041
mean	0.083	0.164	0.372

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:**

**REMARKS:**

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## SELENIUM IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.010 to 0.6 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.010	0.010 to 0.12	0.12 to 0.30	0.30 to 0.6	>0.6
no.	64	31	22	3	2
s.w.		0.0087	0.0145	0.0410	
mean		0.0830	0.1640	0.3720	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
swc1	42	0.066	0.0052	7.88
swc2	43	0.167	0.0084	5.03
475-3	51	0.069	0.0050	7.25

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	0	0.000	0.0000

DATE 87/03/11

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Zinc                      TEST CODE: ZNUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Final Effluent  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml

Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)

Preservative- 10 drops of conc. HNO<sub>3</sub> in 500 ml of sample.

Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-                      Total Extn.-Yes % Extracted-84.6%  
Procedure- Transfer 50 ml of a well mixed sample to a test tube  
marked at 50 ml and 12.5 ml. Add 1 ml of HNO<sub>3</sub> and dry in a forced air  
oven at 105 °C. Add 2 ml of aqua-regia and digest for 2 hrs.

Cool, and make to final volume of 12.5 ml with distilled water. Allow  
time for particles to settle and analyze by ICP-emission spectroscopy.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer,  
Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for  
concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.001 - 1.00 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean .655 mg/L

std. dev. .080 mg/L

R.S.D. 12.2 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d. 0.018	0.047	0.056
mean 0.046	0.353	0.757

W 0.01 mg/L

T 0.05 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference  
(Ref QCFe1) exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency measured by spike recovery.

- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.

- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

ZINC

IN FINAL EFFLUENT

Operating Range = 0.001 to 1.0 mg/L

## IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.20	0.20 to 0.50	0.50 to 1.0	>1.0
no.	5	38	3	3	2
s.w.		0.0179	0.0468	0.0558	
mean		0.0460	0.3530	0.7570	

## QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 31	35	0.655	0.0799	12.20

## BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	30	0.047	0.0855

DATE 87/01/21



ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Total cyanide TEST CODE: CCNAUR SAMPLE TYPE: Sewage  
UNIT: QC-Project SUPERVISOR: J. Hipfner

METHOD CODE: 001AC2

REVISION NO:

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic (preferred)  
Preservative- NaOH  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.- Total Extn.- % Extracted-100

Procedure- The sample is first run to see if there is cyanide present. The is run directly by the automated high temperature distillation with 25% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>-5% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>2</sub> followed by a colourimetric analysis with chloramine T -isonicotinic acid -barbituric acid method.

If the total cyanide is > .01 mg/L then 5 to 250 ml of sample is manually distilled with 30 ml of 15%(w/v) tartaric acid. The distillate is collected in 50 ml of 1N NaOH, and analyzed by the automated Technicon distillation system referred to above.

INTERFERENCES: SCN interference is removed by distillation.

Distillable organics may interfere; also S= at high levels.

REPORTING RESULTS: Mg/l CN: 3 decimal places up to 3 significant figs

INSTRUMENTATION: Technicon AAI continuous flow analyzer

including pump, colourimeter, appropriate autosampler and recorder.

High temperature distillation apparatus (Technicon). Manual dist. app

Calibration Range: 0 to 0.4 mg/l as CN

Resolution: 0.001 mg/l

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 mg/l

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.00100 to 0.400 mg/l

Accuracy- 100%

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.110 mg/L	0.059
std. dev.	.0027mg/L	0.0026
R.S.D.	2.45 %	4.41 %

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.0011	0.0009	0.0127
mean	0.014	0.119	0.293

W .001 mg/L

T .005 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS:

REMARKS: Pure CN standards are recovered 100% during manual distillation. Complex cyanides can normally be expected to be recovered at 100%.

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## TOTAL CYANIDE IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.4 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.08	0.08 to 0.2	0.2 to 0.4	>0.4
no.	0	44	2	0	0
s.w.		0.0009	0.0041	0	
mean		0.0141	0.089	0	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
qc-a	146	0.149	0.0049	3.29
qc-b	146	0.018	0.0022	12.22

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	146	0.001	0

DATE 88/06/01

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Free cyanide    TEST CODE: CCNFUR    SAMPLE TYPE: Sewage  
UNIT: QC-Project                                      SUPERVISOR: J. Hipfner

METHOD CODE: 700AC2

REVISION NO:

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 100 ml  
Container- Glass or plastic (preferred)  
Preservative- NaOH  
Other-

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-    Total Extn.-    % Extracted- \*  
Procedure- Pass sample aliquot through an automated low temperature distillation (106°C) in a distillation acid consisting of 10% acetic acid and 0.5% zinc acetate.  
Analyze distillate by the Chloramine-T -pyridine-barbituric acid colourimetric method, or equivalent.

INTERFERENCES: None

REPORTING RESULTS: Mg/l CN to 2 decimal places up to 3 significant figs  
INSTRUMENTATION: Technicon automated continuous flow analyzer including pump, colourimetric distillation apparatus and sampler; suitable recorder.

Calibration Range: 0 to 0.4 mg/l as CN

Resolution: 0.001

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.001 mg/l

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.0100 to 0.400 mg/L

Accuracy- 100%

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.110 mg/L	0.060
std. dev.	.0036 mg/L	0.0031
R.S.D.	3.27 %	5.17%

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.0004	0.0007	0.0000
mean	0.0135	0.098	0.290

W .001 mg/L

T .005 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS:

REMARKS: \* The test defines the results reported in this case. The terminology "Weak Acid Dissociable" is commonly used and represents weakly associated cyanide compounds such as KCN, NaCN, NiCN<sub>4</sub>, HCN, etc.

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## FREE CYANIDE IN SEWAGE

Operating Range = 0.001 to 0.4 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.001	0.001 to 0.08	0.08 to 0.2	0.2 to 0.4	>0.4
no.	0	44	1	1	0
s.w.		0.0011	0.0141	0.0078	
mean		0.0069	0.13	0.3485	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
qc-a	135	0.151	0.0062	4.11
qc-b	135	0.018	0.0022	12.22

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLK	135	0.001	0

DATE 88/06/01

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Aluminum      TEST CODE: ALUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-Yes Total Extn.- % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 100 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.5 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.4 - 1000 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	861 mg/L	
std. dev.	70 mg/L	
R.S.D.	8.2 %	

Precision of Duplicates-	low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	20	27	26
mean	104	313	735

W 0.5 mg/L

T 2.5 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## ALUMINUM IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.400 to 1000.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.400	0.400 to 200.00	200.00 to 500.00	500.00 to 1000.0	>1000.0
no.	1	25	26	13	40
s.w.		20.3035	26.5879	25.7917	
mean		104.2690	313.0810	734.8460	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	107	860.954	70.4773	8.19

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	139	1.747	1.1485

DATE 87/01/22

ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Cadmium                      TEST CODE: CDUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.-Yes Total Extn.-                      % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.01 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range-0.025 to 5.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean	0.70 mg/L
std. dev.	0.10 mg/L
R.S.D.	14.3 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.09	0.07
mean	0.20	1.38
		3.76

W 0.02 mg/L

T 0.10 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## CADMIUM IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.025 to 5.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.025	0.025 to1.00	1.00 to2.50	2.50 to5.0	>5.0
no.	23	68	3	9	2
s.w.		0.0929	0.0660	0.1431	
mean		0.2020	1.3840	3.7640	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	108	0.704	0.1008	14.32

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	5	0.013	0.0021

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Cobalt                      TEST CODE: COUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.- Yes Total Extn.-                      % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.1 - 20 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean	0.30 mg/L
std. dev.	0.09 mg/L
R.S.D.	28.6 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.06	
mean	0.38	

W 0.1 mg/L

T 0.5 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## COBALT IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.100 to 20.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.100	0.100 to 4.00	4.00 to 10.00	10.00 to 20.0	>20.0
no.	88	17	0	0	0
s.w.		0.0644	0.0000	0.0000	
mean		0.3800	0.0000	0.0000	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	103	0.300	0.0859	28.63

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	19	0.027	0.0072

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Chromium      TEST CODE: CRUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake

Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)

Preservative- None

Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-Yes Total Extn.- % Extracted- ND

Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.

Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs.

Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.

Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.03 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.05 - 100 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	60.6 mg/L	
std. dev.	7.3 mg/L	
R.S.D.	12.1 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.5	4.8
mean	4.2	29.1
		59.5

W 0.2 mg/L

T 1.0 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## CHROMIUM IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.050 to 100.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.050	0.050 to 20.00	20.00 to 50.00	50.00 to 100.0	>100.0
no.	4	87	8	4	2
s.w.		0.4730	4.7501	2.8406	
mean		4.1600	29.0790	59.4710	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	108	60.604	7.3322	12.10

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	6	0.099	0.0869

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Copper                      TEST CODE: CUUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

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NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-Yes Total Extn.- % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.05 - 100 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean 36.3 mg/L

std. dev. 4.1 mg/L

R.S.D. 11.1 %

Precision of Duplicates-low range

mid range

high range

s.d. 1.3

3.1

3.1

mean 9.7

28.7

75.0

W 0.1 mg/L

T 0.5 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## COPPER IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.050 to 100.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.050	0.050 to 20.00	20.00 to 50.00	50.00 to 100.0	>100.0
no.	1	59	33	10	2
s.w.		1.2541	3.1061	3.0653	
mean		9.7070	28.6830	74.9780	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	108	36.306	4.0517	11.16

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	3	0.129	0.0919

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Iron                      TEST CODE: FEUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.- Yes Total Extn.- % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 100 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.5 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.1 - 5000 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	2831 mg/L	
std. dev.	269 mg/L	
R.S.D.	9.5 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	21	668
mean	287	1912
		396
		3312

W 0.5 mg/L

T 2.5 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## IRON IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.100 to 5000.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.100	0.100 to 1000.0	1000.0 to 2500.0	2500.0 to 5000.0	>5000.0
no.	2	61	23	12	7
s.w.		21.1119	668.1845	396.2887	
mean		287.4750	1911.870	3312.121	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	107	2830.936	268.6222	9.49

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	9	2.370	3.7840

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Lead                      TEST CODE: PBUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.- Yes Total Extn.- % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.15 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.1 - 50 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean	39.6 mg/L
std. dev.	4.3 mg/L
R.S.D.	10.8 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	1.0	1.2
mean	3.9	14.6
		34.7

W 0.5 mg/L

T 2.5 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## LEAD IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.100 to 50.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.100	0.100 to 10.00	10.00 to 25.00	25.00 to 50.0	>50.0
no.	6	78	10	5	6
s.w.		1.0423	1.1933	1.2037	
mean		3.9100	14.6190	34.7090	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	108	39.557	4.2765	10.81

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	3	0.201	0.0450

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Manganese      TEST CODE: MNUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

SAMPLE HANDLING:

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

SAMPLE PREPARATION: Partial Extn.- Yes Total Extn.-      % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

INTERFERENCES: Several, compensated for by the computer program.

REPORTING RESULTS: mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

INSTRUMENTATION: Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.01 mg/L

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:

Routine Operating Range- 0.05 - 100 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

mean	33.2 mg/L
std. dev.	2.7 mg/L
R.S.D.	8.2 %

B

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d. 0.6	1.2	4.4
mean 7.7	31.4	57.6

W 0.05 mg/L

T 0.25 mg/L

CONTROL LIMITS: Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

REMARKS:

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MANGANESE IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.050 to 100.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.050	0.050 to 20.00	20.00 to 50.00	50.00 to 100.0	>100.0
no.	0	80	17	4	4
s.w.		0.6154	1.1839	4.4102	
mean		7.6690	31.4420	57.6150	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	106	33.186	2.7331	8.24

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	4	1.210	1.8138

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Molybdenum      TEST CODE: MOUT      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:

REVISION NO: Original

DATE:

NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.- Yes Total Extn.- % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, AtomsCan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 0.4 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.05 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.025 to 10.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	.635 mg/L	
std. dev.	.139 mg/L	
R.S.D.	21.8 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	0.190	
mean	0.337	

W 0.2 mg/L

T 1.0 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## MOLYBDENUM IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.025 to 10.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.025	0.025 to 2.00	2.00 to 5.00	5.00 to 10.0	>10.0
no.	45	59	0	0	1
s.w.		0.1904	0.0000	0.0000	
mean		0.3370	0.0000	0.0000	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	108	0.635	0.1387	21.84

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	4	0.060	0.0063

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Nickel                      TEST CODE: NIUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.-Yes Total Extn.-                      % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.06 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.15 - 50.0 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	23.4 mg/L	
std. dev.	2.4 mg/L	
R.S.D.	10.4 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d. 0.4	0.7	0.7
mean 1.4	14.8	31.4

W 0.1 mg/L

T 0.5 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## NICKEL IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.150 to 50.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.150	0.150 to 10.00	10.00 to 25.00	25.00 to 50.0	>50.0
no.	29	69	5	1	1
s.w.		0.4425	0.6858	0.7354	
mean		1.4280	14.8320	31.4300	

### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	108	23.430	2.4461	10.44

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	7	0.101	0.0386

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ANALYTICAL PROCEDURE  
Inorganic Trace Contaminants Section

TEST NAME: Zinc                      TEST CODE: ZNUT                      SAMPLE TYPE: Sludge; Cake  
UNIT: Ind., Dom., Landfill Wastes                      SUPERVISOR: J. Pimenta

METHOD CODE:  
REVISION NO: Original                      DATE:  
NATURE OF LAST REVISION:

**SAMPLE HANDLING:**

Quantity Required- 500 ml; 100 g filter cake  
Container- Glass or polyethylene bottle (1 litre)  
Preservative- None  
Other- Fill only 2/3rd of the container for sludge

**SAMPLE PREPARATION:** Partial Extn.- Yes Total Extn.-                      % Extracted- ND  
Procedure- Blend 30 g of filter cake with 270 ml distilled water in a Waring blender. Dry 5 ml of diluted filter cake or 5 ml of sludge overnight in a test tube marked at 25 ml using a forced air oven set at 110°C.  
Add 1 ml HNO<sub>3</sub> and 3 ml HCl and digest the sample for 6 hrs. Dilute the digest to 25 ml with distilled water and filter through a Whatman #40 filter paper.  
Analyze the filtrate by plasma emission spectrometry as part of a multi-element measurement system.

**INTERFERENCES:** Several, compensated for by the computer program.

**REPORTING RESULTS:** mg/L to 2 places after decimal.

**INSTRUMENTATION:** Inductively coupled plasma emission spectrometer, Atomscan 2400, equipped with autosampler and DEC computer system for concentration print-out; Apple microcomputer interface to LIS.

Calibration Range: 0 - 2.0 mg/L

Resolution:

Sensitivity:

Instrument Detection Limit: 0.02 mg/L

**PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS:**

Routine Operating Range- 0.025 - 100 mg/L

Accuracy- Not known; no reference standards available

Precision of Controls-

	A	B
mean	95.3 mg/L	
std. dev.	9.6 mg/L	
R.S.D.	10.0 %	

Precision of Duplicates-low range	mid range	high range
s.d.	1.0	1.2
mean	11.2	31.0
		63.8

W 0.05 mg/L

T 0.25 mg/L

**CONTROL LIMITS:** Analysis repeated if values for in-house reference exceeds  $\pm 15\%$  RSD.

**REMARKS:**

- Extraction efficiency not known as no reference standards available.
- Detection Limit - 3x std. dev. of low range within-run duplicates.
- Accuracy - Ratio of mean and cert. value in ref. mat. (%).

# SUMMARY REPORT OF QUALITY CONTROL DATA

## ZINC IN SLUDGE

Operating Range = 0.025 to 100.0 mg/L

### IN - RUN DUPLICATES

range	<0.025	0.025 to 20.00	20.00 to 50.00	50.00 to 100.0	>100.0
no.	0	61	29	7	8
s.w.		1.0233	1.1771	3.2906	
mean		11.1880	30.9840	63.7810	

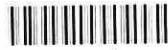
### QA CONTROL SAMPLES

SAMPLE I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.	R.S.D.
REF 29	108	95.339	9.5517	10.02

### BLANKS

BLANK I.D.	NO.	MEAN	STD. DEV.
BLANK	40	0.059	0.0989

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